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REMARKS

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group VIII (claims 25-26 and 29) without traverse. Applicants do not believe that the Examiner has required a species election in relation to this Group. If this understanding is in error, the undersigned attorney should be contacted at the telephone number provided.

In addition, newly drafted dependent claims 30 and 31 are presented. These are directed to use of quartile analysis and are enabled by Example VII of the application.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested. If for any reason the Examiner still finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles telephone number (310) 500-3548 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

You are hereby authorized to charge any fees due and refund any surplus fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-2899. Please reference matter number 95510.900501.

Respectfully submitted,

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